

MINUTES FOR THE TOWN OF JACKSON

December 13, 2021 REGULAR MEETING

All motions passed unanimously unless indicated otherwise.

Regular meeting. The Town of Jackson's regular monthly meeting was held in the Jackson Hall at 6:00p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor James Norsworthy, III.

The prayer and pledge were led by David Guillory.

Roll call. Present were Don Havard, William Free, David Guillory, Rafe Stewart and Michael Harrell.

Approval of the Minutes for November 2021. Moved by David Guillory and seconded by Mike Harrell. No public comment, motion passed.

Open floor for public comments on agenda items: Additions to agenda, (1) Dianne Wilson requested to be added to the agenda to discuss the "shelter" matter, (2) Dianne Wilson requested to be added to the agenda for reimbursement request for her legal matters. Moved by Rafe Stewart to make the additions to the agenda and pass the agenda with modifications, seconded by Mike Harrell. Motion passed.

Budget versus Actual. Discussion by Rafe Stewart, motion to accept report by Rafe Stewart, second by Mike Harrell, motion passed.

New Business.

Update wordage in ordinance referring to junk cars; Mike Harrell introduced an ordinance by title "Amendment to Junk Vehicle Ordinance", seconded by David Guillory, no public comment, motion passed. Public hearing shall be set for the next town meeting at 5:45 p.m.

Salary issues. Police salaries were increased as requested, moved by William Free, seconded by Mike Harrell, no comment, motion passed.

Engineer Applicants. PEC (Professional Engineering Consultants) presented their services they can provide the town. Also, MML& H (Meyer, Meyer, Lacroix & Hixson, Inc.) presented their services they can provide the town. An engineering firm is required to spend ARP funds and new funds available by the government, both State and Federal grants out there.

Old business and additions:

Dianne Wilson. Mrs. Wilson informed the community of her efforts to obtain funding for a community storm shelter. Mrs. Wilson also requested reimbursement for the pending litigation between herself and the Town of Jackson, this request is premature and not addressed at this time.

Department updates:

1. Mayor's comments, Christmas Event, Streets & Sidewalk Issues. Santa Clause is coming to Jackson public center on December 16, 2021. The town received grants to correct culvert work at Cherry Street in the sum of \$15,675.00.
2. Attorney updates. None at the time. The Town of Jackson versus Dianne Wilson matter was decided and pending a written judgment.
3. Maintenance report. Some culverts are wearing out. Bids have been gathered to replace culverts and storm drains. A written report was provided by the maintenance department.

4. Code Enforcement report. An update provided by Officer Cary Quiet. The collection agency AMS has been hired to collect fines for the town that are due and owed. The collection firm requires two individuals from the Town to be up to date and qualified to assist with collection efforts. Also, 2 cars have been covered per the enforcement request, and 4 cars removed. All other matters now require court action.
5. Police report. Chief Fred Allen expressed to the board his need for new radios for the officers and units. Two prices were presented to the board. Another was requested by the board. Also, Mayor Norsworthy will check the budget and see if there are enough funds budgeted to fulfill this request. Also, a new part time hire will begin post training next week. The department has received a grant for a new unit. Also, a post training contract is needed for the new hire to attend post training at the Town's cost.

Motion to adjourn by Mike Harrell and seconded by David Guillory, motion passed.

LANNA M. MATTHEWS/SECRETARY-TREASURER

JAMES M NORSWORTHY III/MAYOR